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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD

SUBJECT: Special Committee Report on Indo-China, Phase "A" (NSC
Action No. 1019a)

Attached for incorporation with the subject report is a copy
of a memorandum for the President from General Walter B. Smith,
dated March 11, 1954.

Elmer B. Staats
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Executive Officer

Enclosure:

Memo for the President from Gen. Walter B. Smith
(Subj.: Report on Program for Indochina) dtd
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Report on Program for Indochina

On behalf of the Operations Coordinating Board I am transmitting for your consideration a report on a program for securing military victory in Indochina short of overt involvement by U.S. Combat Forces, in accordance with the instructions of the National Security Council, NSC Action 1019a, January 21, 1954.

This report was prepared by a Special Committee consisting of the Under Secretary of State, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Director of Central Intelligence, and Mr. C. D. Jackson.

This report outlines certain specific procedures, certain objectives, and certain courses of action for immediate implementation by the Departments and Agencies concerned.

The Operations Coordinating Board on March 3 approved this report and its implementation is now under way under the coordination of the Board.

/s/

WALTER B. SMITH

Enclosure:

OCB Memorandum of
March 2 from
General G.B. Erskine

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